



## **United States Assistance to Haiti 's Health Sector**

U.S. development assistance to Haiti's health sector aims to: (1) increase access to and use of basic health care in U.S. Government-supported NGO and public sector clinics throughout Haiti; (2) increase the leadership and management capacity of the Ministry of Health and support its efforts to decentralize health care services; and (3) mobilize the commercial private sector to be an active partner, along with USAID and the Ministry of Health to financially support the improvement of health care services in Haiti. In addition, under President Bush's Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief (PEPFAR), U.S. foreign assistance aims to prevent HIV infection and mitigate the impacts of the infection.

### **Funding**

In 2007, the USG provided over \$100 million in development assistance to the health sector:

- Approximately US\$80 million was provided to address HIV/AIDS issues under the PEPFAR program.
- Approximately US\$20 million supported the delivery of a basic package of health care services in 80 NGO and 72 public sector health care clinics in all ten departments in Haiti.

### **Results To Date**

The U.S. Government, acting through USAID, currently supports the delivery of services in 80 non-governmental and 72 public sector health care clinics in all ten departments. Through these clinics, 47% of the Haitian population has access to a basic package of health care services.

At these clinics, annually, more than 60,000 children are fully immunized; and 75,000 receive treatment for pneumonia and diarrhea. Community nutrition programs reached more than 1,600,000 children.

Last year, 13 hospitals were equipped with advanced maternal health equipment and supplies, and more than 350,000 reproductive health care services (family planning, prenatal, post partum care, and assisted deliveries) were provided.

More than 70,000 HIV positive persons are enrolled in care and treatment programs and nearly 13,000 are receiving antiretrovirals. More than 30,000 orphans and vulnerable children are receiving care and support at the family and community level. Annually, the

U.S. supports voluntary counseling and testing and community education programs for almost 400,000 people.

U.S. support directly to the Government of Haiti has helped lead to their success in developing 153 communal level health plans, 10 department level health plans, and for the first time ever, a nationally-costed health services and management plan.